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The Honorable Colin Powell Secretary Department of State Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing to request that you immediately make public all of the intelligence data and other information that the United States has provided to the Government of North Korea regarding Kim Jong-Il's nuclear weapons program.

As you know, press reports have indicated that when confronted by U.S. diplomats with intelligence information about its covert nuclear weapons programs, North Korea recently acknowledged the existence of these programs. I already have written to the President to express my concerns regarding North Korea's violations of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and the 1994 Agreed Framework and our views regarding an appropriate U.S. response to these violations (see enclosure).

I am writing you at this time because I believe that the American people have the right to see the same information that the U.S. has already provided to the North Koreans. I therefore request that you provide a copy of all of the information and documentation that the U.S. government has provided to the North Koreans regarding its clandestine nuclear programs. If the information was provided orally, I request that you provide a written document laying out what information and evidence was provided to the North Koreans. If you are unable to do so, I request a written explanation of the basis for denying the Congress and the American public open access to the same information which has already been provided to the government of North Korea.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation with this request. We ask that the information we have requested be provided within 5 working days, or no later than close of business, October 29, 2002. Please have your staff contact Mr. Jeff Duncan or Benn Tannenbaum of my staff at 202-225-2836 if you have any questions about this request.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Markey Member of Congress

Enclosure